

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

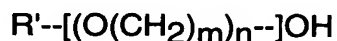
Claims 1-12 (cancelled).

Claim 13 (currently amended). A dyed article prepared by a process comprising the steps of

- (i) immersing at least a portion of an article in a dyeing bath maintained at a temperature of [90] 60 to 99°C and
- (ii) retaining said portion in said bath for a period of time sufficient to allow an amount of dye to diffuse into said article, and
- (iii) removing said article from said bath,

wherein molded article comprises at least one polymeric resin selected from the group consisting of (co)polyester, (co)polycarbonates, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene, polyamide, polyurethane, polyalkyl(meth)acrylate, allyldiglycol carbonate and styrene copolymers, and wherein the bath contains

- (a) 50 to 90 pbw relative to the weight of the bath of water
- (b) 0.1 to 15 pbw of dye
- (c) 2.5 to 20 pbw of at least one plasticizing agent conforming to



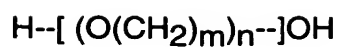
where R' is an ethyl, propyl or butyl radical,

m is 2, 3 or 4, and

n is 1, 2 or 3

with the proviso that where R' is butyl m is 2 or 4 and

- (d) 5 to 30 pbw of at least one leveling agent conforming structurally to



where m is 2, 3 or 4 and

n is 1, 2, or 3.

Claim 14 (original). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the bath further contains a surfactant.

Claim 15 (original). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the dye is disperse dye.

Claim 16 (original). The dyed article of Claim 15 wherein the bath further contains a surfactant.

Claim 17 (original). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.

Claim 18 (original). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the resin is aromatic polycarbonate.

Claim 19 (original). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the plasticizing agent is a member selected from the group consisting of ethylene glycol butyl ether, diethylene glycol ethylether, diethylene glycol butylether, propylene glycol propylether, dipropylene glycol propyl ether and tripropylene glycol propylether.

Claim 20 (currently amended). The dyed article of Claim 13 wherein the leveling agent is a member selected from the group consisting of diethylene glycol, triethylene glycol and [1,4 butandiol] 1,4-butanediol.